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Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 188, Nassau Street.

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### Banks.

HONGKONG & BHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PATD-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, ..... 200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. Deputy Chairman-AD. ANDER, Esq. S. W. POMEROW, Esq. F. CORDES, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq. H. Hoppius, Esq. A. Molves, Esq.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED N Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent, per annum on the daily balance.

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Acting Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No, 1, Queen's Road Basi. Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

# Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. :

ANE CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY,

the 9th February, 1877, at Noon,-Safety Matches, Socks, Toilet Soap, Lavender Water, Barley, Raisins, Bonbons, Blacklead.

12 casks Sods Crystals. 50 cases Cognac.

1 Iron Water Tank. 8 Water Casks. 10 bags Oats.

TERMS OF BALE. - Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs HEARD & Co., to. sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY. the 12th February, 1877, at 2 p.m., at their Office, Queen's Road,-

The whole of their OFFICE FURNI-TURE, &c., comprising Desks, Chairs, Tables, Clocks, Letter Press, Inkstands, Stationery, &c., &c.

Legal and other Books. A Collection of Charts, One Milner's Patent Fire Resisting Safe. Measuring about 4 ft. 10 in. by 8 ft. 11 in. by 3 ft. 10 in.

One Large Copying Press. One Platform Scale,

One 6 cared House-boat, with Awning,

Osre, Iron Davits, Falls, &c. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on the day of Sale. TERMS OF SALE, - Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Austioneer.

### Entertainments.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY. TOROGRAMME OF CONCERT TO BE GIVEN AT THE

OITY HALL,

This Evening,

February 8th, 1877, Commencing at 9 o'Clock.

PART L. No. 1. Overture. - The Barber of Seville.

2. Song.—"A life that lives for you."

8. Trio.-" Mynheer van Dunck."-4. Pianoforte Solo. - "Adagio Gra-

gioso" from 16th Sonata. - Beethoven. 5. Song, with Violoncello Obligato, -"Orpheus with bis Late."-Sullivan. Solo and Chorus, -" With a laugh as we go round," from "The May Queen."-Sterndale Bennett.

PART II.

No. 7. Quartette, for Piano, Violin, Viola and Violoncello. - "Grave and Allegro" from Op. 16. - B. ethoven. 8. Barcarole. - "Dormi pure." -- Sou-

9. Violin Solo. - "Oberländler." -10. Four Part Song .- "The Lark."-

11. Song.—"My Queen."—Blumenthal.
12. Glee with Solos.—"The he be now a grey grey friar.—Bi hop.

Tickets, Price \$2.00 each, may be obtained on and after Monday, 5th February, at 10 a.m , from Messrs Lane, Chawford & Co.'s, who have a Plan of the Hall. Tickets may also be obtained at the Door of the Hall on the Evening of the Concert. T. G. WILLIAMSON,

GOD BAVE THE QUEEN.

Acting Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB OF HONGKONG.

THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give their Fourth Performance

of the Season at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL,

MONDAY,

19th February, when will be presented the Popular Burlesque of

Aladdin or the Wonderful Scamp.

Doors Open at 8.30, Performance to Commence at Nine o'Clock. Tickets may be had at Messra Lane, CRAWFORD & Co. on and after Wednesday,

February 14th. CHAS. C. COHEN, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 27, 1877.

### intimations.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITION SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL FLOWER and VEGET. ABLE SHOW will be Held in the PUBLIC GARDENS on FRIDAY, the 16th, and SATURDAY, the 17th February. 

Second Day ..... 50 Cents. Payment at the Gates, or Tickets may be had of Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

HONGKONG.

Ohs. J. GAUPP & Co., WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS. 38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS. CHRONOMETERS.

&c., &c., Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch. Hongkoug, May 1, 1876.

AH YON, SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE, No. 57, Praya West.

BHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

NOTIFICATION.

COPY of the JURY LIST for 1877 is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection | Notice of any Inscensacies, Omissions, Objections, &c., must be given TROM This Date the Offices of this to the Acting Registrar on or before TUES-DAY, the Thirteenth day of February, 1877, in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864.

F. S. HUFFAM. Acting Registrar. Hongkong, January 29, 1877,

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

GUILLET ROUYER CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This Brandy is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One \*, Two \*\*, Three \*\*\*, and Four \*\*\*\*, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

POMMERY & GRENO'S

CHAMPAGNE, Sec." "Extra

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

THE MEDICAL HALL,

87, Queen's Road, Hongkong. ESTABLISHED 1853. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NTOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be Held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 15th day of February current, at Three o'Clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th December, 1876.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

ATOTICE is hereby given, that REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 15th day of February current (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-

PANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NTOTICE is hereby given, that the Sixth Ordinary MEETING of the SHARE-HULDERS of the above Company will be Held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 2nd March, 1877, at 3 o'Clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, to

Stat December, 1876. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be (); OSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, OLYPHANT & Co. General Agents.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE Eighth Ordinary MEETING of

SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Company's Office, 89, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 2 o'Clock in the Afternoon of FRIDAY, the 16th Februar next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending Sist December, 1876.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 16th February, both days inclusive.

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Houghong, January 19, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. HONGKONG AGENCY.

Agency are REMOVED to the Prethises in the Phata Central lately occupied by Meanra Gilman & Co., next to Meanra RUSSELL & Co.'s Building. H. DE POUNY,

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on TUES-DAY, the 20th February next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1876, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, January 20, 1877. THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be OLOSED from the 6th to the 20th February next, both days in-

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited. Hongkong, January 20, 1877.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be Held at the Offices of the Company, Club Chambers, on MUNDAY, 19th February, 1877, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1876, the Report of the Directors, and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board, D. GILLIES,

Secretary. Hongkong, February 2, 1877. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

NOTICE.

COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be OLOSED from the 5th to the 19th Instant, both days included. By Order, D. GILLIES

Secretary. Hongkong, February 2, 1577.

NOTICE. HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Annual General MEETING

MEMBERS of the Hondrond Ga-

Secretary.

NEBAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be Held at the City HALL, on MUNDAY, the 12th February, 1877, at 8 p.m. By Order, N. B. DENNYS.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. MACAO HOTEL, PRAYA GRANDE, MACAO.

First-Class House elegantly furnished and replete with every oumfort. WINES, SPIRITS AND EATABLES OF THE BEST QUALITY ORLY SUPPLIED. OUISINE RECHERCHÉ. and Coach-houses provided for

private Horses and Carriages.

Bedan Chairs belonging to the Hotel at

Visitors' call. CHARGES MODERATE. J. P. DE CAMPOS, Proprietor.

intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the IMPERIAL RUSSIAN CONSULATE has This Day been RE-MOVED to PEDDAR'S HILL.

By Order, LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary. Hongkong, January 29, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the IMPERIAL GERMAN CONSULATE has This Day been RE-MOVED to PEDDAR'S HILL.

By Order, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877. OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. Co.

NOTICE TR. GEORGE W. BAFFEY has been authorized to Sign the Company's

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Bills of Lading from and after this date,

Hongkong, February 5, 1877. OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. Co.

THE OFFICES of the Company have This Day been REMOVED to No. 37. Queen's Road, Central,

NOTICE.

G. B. EMORY. Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

NOTICE.

TOY Order of the Board of Directors of D the PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIE COMPANY, Messrs Russell & Co. have This Day assumed charge of their AGENCY

G. B. EMORY, Agent. Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

NOTICE. PACIFIC MAIL S. S. Co.

IN Accordance with the above notification, We have this Day ASSUMED UHARGE of the COMPANY'S BUSI-NESS at this Port.

Until Further Notice the Offices of the Company will remain at No. 16, Praya

Mr C. V. SMITH is authorised to sign Bills of Lading. Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For Security's sake Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages

Shipped, to correspond with those in their

Bills of Lading. RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

PACIFIC MAIL STRAMSHIP COMPANY: THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA

U. S. MATL LINE.

OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUGHING AT YOROHAMA, AND BAN FRANCISCO. THE U. S. Mall Steamer CITY OF PEKING, will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 19th February, 1877, at 3 P.M., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the

Through Passonger Tlokets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Tokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and Bouth America, and to New York and EUrope VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS. A Steamer of the Mitsu Bishi S. S. Com. pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea

United States, and Europa.

Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama. At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England,

France and Germany. Freight will be received on board until p.m. 17th Proximo. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same

required. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 16, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & (o, Agents. Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

> shipping. Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship Captala M. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Daylight, For Freight or Passage, apply to

> DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "MENZALEH" Comdt. PASQUALINI, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French

H. DU POUEY, Agent

Hongkong, February 2, 1877. NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES. MARITIMES of he begal ad PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship Comdt. BRUNET, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POULY,

Hongkong, February 2, 1877.

Sailing Vessels. FOR LONDON. A 1 British Ship "STAR OF CHINA."

BLAKER, Master, will load here

and have immediate despatch. For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

FOR LONDON (DIRECT.) (If sufficient Inducement offers.) The 3/3 L. 1 1 German Bark DENECKEN, Master, will load

here, and have immediate de-MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877. FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Ship "ENGLAND'S GLORY,"

KNIGHT, Master, will load here and have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "CEYLON," Kelly, Master, will load here and at Whampon for the above

Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 18, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The American Ship

The American Ship
"SUMATRA,"
Captain Clough, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

"VANADIS."

Hongkong, January 19, 1877. FOR LONDON. (If sufficient Inducement offere.) The 3/3 L. 1. 1. Russian Ship

WERLAND, Master, will load

here and have quick despatch

For Freight, Sugar or Measurement. VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "CUTWATER," CREELMAN, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, January 2, 1877. FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Schooner "NUEVO CONSTANTE. UBIARTE, Master, having the

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

greater portion of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co., Agente.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The British Bark Captain Johnson, will have a quick despatch for the above

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co

Hongkong, February 1, 1877,

Hongkong, January 25, 1877.

# Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Galley of Lorne, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohama unless notice to the contrary is given by 5 p.m. To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the

9th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected, Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, February 2, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE BRITISH SHIP TYBURNIA, FROM LONDON.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co., .

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

ONSIGNEES of the undermentioned Goods per British Ship Tyburnia, from London, are requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, failing which they will be landed and stored at Consignees nisk and expense by

MEYER & Co., White Stripes, 2103; Red Stripes, 7776

=9879 bundles RAILRODS. Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

FROM BUSHIRE, BANDER, ABBAS AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Gunga, Captain A. GARCEAU. having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods,

H. A. ASGAR & H. ESMAIL. Houghong, January 24, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counterdignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has, been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. A. DU POUEY, Agent.

Ex Meikong, December 29th, 1876. ESD 15 bags White War. Ex Ava, January 11th, 1877. THO No. 1/3, 2 cases Stores.

GD No. 1, 1 case Paper.

Ex Amazone, January 24th, 1877. OE. one box Sundries. Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

### Notices of Firms

NOTICE.

TR. FRITZ LANCKEN'S Interest and Rethe 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

NOTIOE.

THE Undermentioned Firm is THIS DAY DISSOLVED by consent. The Firm in Liquidation will be signed by Mr J. A. FRASER in Japan, by Mr E. G. Low in Shanghai, and by Mr T. G. LINSTEAD in Hongkong, or by any one of the Partners.

HEARD & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1877. NOTICE,

TR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been com-IVI pelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the Sist December last.

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been authorised to sign for us by Procuration. We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton. SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

TITE have been appointed AGENTS for the American Shipmasters' Asso-

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, February 2, 1877. NOTICE.

MR. J. F. Cordes' Interest and Respon-sibility in our Firm ceased on the Slat December last. WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

N and after the 16th day of November. and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPER-BARY will be carried on by the Under-

WM. ORUICKSHANK,

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

HE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the haine of Mesters & Hulse has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the alguature of the Firm will henceforth be

tised for the Liquidation only. C. J. MESTERN. W. HULSE.

Canton, December 81, 1876.

### Notices of Firms.

HAVE this day Established myself at this Port under my own name as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

O. KEES. Canton, January 9, 1877.

NOTICE. IVI mitted a PARTNER in my Firm at Elemssen & Co. SWATOW and HOIROW, which in future will be carried on under the Name or Style of 933, Selkirk, London Sept. 19, General HERTON, EBELL & Co."

EDWARD HERTON. Swatow-Hoihow, January 1, 1877. fe19

> W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY,

MPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOLLET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 13, 1376.

### To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAL The British Steamship will have quick despatch as

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE 8. 8. Cyphrenes having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are Mr Louis Arrivet. being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be

obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary is given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

Goods remaining in Godowns after the 15th lustant will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Argyll, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Whatf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Opin n is deliverable from on Board, Cargo remaining undelivered after the Fine weather throughout the passage. 18th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

BRITISH SHIP SARAH NICHOLSON FROM HAMBURG.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

> MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

NOW READY.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., DD. 202 .- By ERNEST JOHN ETTEL, Ph.D.

Price! Two Dollars and a Half. To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Mesers | dian of Greenwich 22d Nov. in lat. 36 9 H. KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

### Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agente, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Creso ap2 of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

BRIDGETOWN, British barque, Captain E. W. Orisp.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. CETLON, American batk, Capt. E. Kelly, STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E, B. Blaker. - Douglas Lapraik & Co.

NEHEMIAH GIBSON, American barque, Captain D. Bradford. -Arnhold, Karberg Boxtro, German barque, Captain J. F.

Wesenberg, - Siemssen & Co. ALDEN BESSE, American barque, Captain S. Noyes. -- Rozario & Co. Tygunta, British ship, Captain Robt.

Golder, -Meyer & Co.

## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Feb. 7. Panado, British staumet, 662, J.

Cain, Bangkok Jan. 30, hios. MELUHERS Feb. 7. Chedny Hock Kian, British steamer, 956, F. Webb, Penang Jan. 24 Singapore 28, and Saigon, Cape St. James For MANILA. Feb. 8, General -Soun Cheore & Co: Feb. 8, Ningpo, Brit. str., from Canton. Feb: 8, Chinkiang, British steamer, from

Feb. 8, Cyphreites, British steather, 1280, Wood, London Dec. 14, Port Said Jan. 1, Silez 8, Penang 28, aid Singapore Feb. 1, General -Gian, Livingston & Co.

Feb. 8, 11 a.m., Growler, H.M. gunbout, For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW, -464, Walter Stewart, Amoy Feb. 6, 5 p.m. APS Fab. S. Carlos British schooner, 718,

Harnden, Halphong Jan. 30, General.

CAPTAIN. Feb. 8, Union, Spanish schooner, 152, Jose Mericaechevarria, Manila Jan. 30, General -- REMEDIOS & Co. Feb. 8, 1 p.m., Argyll, British steamer, 1271, Scott, Calcutta Jan. 23, Penang 29,

and Singapore Feb. 2, 1.30 p.m., General. -JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Feb. 8, A. F. Stallknecht, German barque AR. H. EBELL has This Day been ad- 589, P. Schultz, Cardiff Sept. 22, Coal -

Feb. 8, Sarah Nicholson, British ship,

DEPARTURES. Feb. 8, Norna, for Swatow. 8, Ava, for Marseilles, &c. 8, Peeress, for Cebu. 8, Cheang Hock Kian, for Swatow and

OLEARED. Christian, for Tientsin. Deutschland, for Tientsin. Morning Star, for Bangkok. Ceylon, for New York. Patroclus, for Shanghai. Wedan, for Keelung.

Cyphrenes, for Shanghai,

-MELUHERS & Co.

### PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. Per Argyll, from Singapore, &c., M Robertson, and 174 deck. Per Penedo, from Bangkok, Sundry

Chinese. Per Cheang Hock Kian, from Penang, do, 434 Chinese. Per Cyphrenes, from Singapore, 150

Per Umiah, from Halphong, 3 Chinesei, DEPARTED. Per Ava, for Saigon, Revd. Henri de Kerlan, Mesers Loiseleur, Géraud, and 7

Chinese ; for Singapore, Messrs Antell, D. A. Costa, and 1 Ohinese; for Calcutta, Mr. Hass ; for Suez, Mr Lane; for Maraelles, Mr Roos. - From Shanghai ; for Marseilles, Messra Powrie & Higson, Mrs Rowley Miller and 2 infants, Mr and Mrs Dalgleish and 2 infants, Mr Spence, and 2 Chinese, -From Yokohama; for Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Coignet, Mr and Mrs Johnstone, 3 infants and European nurse, and

Per Norna, for Swatow, 150 Chinese. Amoy, 400 Chinese,

### SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Chesng Hook Kian reports: Fine weather throughout the passage, experienced thick weather near Hongkong. Spoke the British barque showing No. T.K.P.G. in Lat. 12.5 N. and Long. 109.37 E., steering to the Southward and Westward.

The British steamer Cyphrenes reports Very heavy weather the first part of the passage, latterly fine. Had light airs and fine weather with smooth water coming up

The British gunboat Growler reports Thick and foggy with rain until off Bingle Island, N.E. breese from there in. The British schooner Uniah reports First part light winds and calms, latter part moderate Easterly winds.

The Spanish schooner Union reports

South Easterly and Southerly winds and

fine weather throughout the passage.

The British steamer Argyll reports The German barque A. F. Stallknecht reports : Down the Channel light Easterly winds until outside Lundy laland, thence S.W. winds and stormy weather. On the 29th Sept. experienced a very heavy gale -Barometer falling from 80.30 to 28.54, during the gale the wind veered from S.S.E. round by E. and N. to S.W. The weather continued unsettled until the 8th October, when had fine weather-got S.E. trade winds in 3 N. Crossed the Equator on the 1st Nov. in long. 27 W. Passed Meridian of Greenwich in lat. 38.30 S. on the 25th Nov. Run down easting in lat, 42 S. with variable winds and Southerly gales and heavy squalls. Passed St. Paul's Island on the 21st Dec. Thence fine wea-

ther to Sandalwood Island, which was

reached on the 9th Jan. Came through Gilolo Passage on the 19th and was becalmed for several days. Thence moderate fell | winds and fine weather to port. The British ship Sarah Nicholson reports: In the English Channel light Westerly winds and fine weather first few days, after which for 14 days heavy W.S.W. gales. On CANTONESE DIALECT, Part I., 80th Sept. passed through the centre of a cyclone, the lowest reading of barometer 28.01; lost topsails. Crossed the Equator on the 2nd November in long, 290 W Thence variable moderately strong winds to the Cape of Good Hope. Passed Meri-To the Eastward of the Cape experienced strong N. W. gales. Passed Amsterdam Island on the 15th Dec. and from thence moderate variable winds and fine weather. Made Sandalwood Island on the 3rd of January, and on the 6th January in lat 3,59 8 124 87 E. was struck with a heavy squall which carried away our hibboom, foretop mast and three topgallantmasts, all sail being set at the time. There being light westerly winds at the time. Off the Asia Islands spoke the British ship Agnes Muir from London to Shanghai 114 days out, all well. In the Pacific light northerly air and generally hasy weather

## CARGO,

Sighted Bashes on the 8rd February and

from thence to Pedro Blanco light variable

Per S. B. Ava, sailed 8th February, 1877 :- To Continent, 246 bales Silk, 52 SATURDAY, February 17:cases Silks, 25 cases Essential Oil, 208 rolls Matting, 21 chests and 110 boxes Tea, and 807 cases Sundries. To London, 569 bales Silk, 45 cases Silks, ? bales Wasto Silk, 540 rolls Matting, 2,128 bags Sugar, 9,407 boxes and 867 pkgs. Tes; and 171 cases Sundries.

### POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will elose !-

For SHANGHAL-Per PATROCLUS, at 11.80 a.m. Tomorrow, the 9th inst.

Per Schooner NUEVO CONSTANTE at 1 80 p m., on Saturday, the 10th THURSDAY, March 1:inst., instead of as previously noti-Francisco.

Per MADAGASCAR, at 3 80 p.m., 6il Saturday, the 10th inst. Per LEONOR, at 8 p.m., on Saturday, the 19th inst,

# POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:-MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet LOMBARDY, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &co., on THURSDAY, the 15th February.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :-

Wednesday, 14th Inst .-

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, 14th Inst .-

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FRE of 18 cents extra Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office Oxones entirely.

(11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

11.50 A.M., when the Mail to finally Hongkong, February 3, 1877.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet CITY OF The Manufactory is under direct and PEKING will be despatched on MON. DAY, the 19th Instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be olosed as follows :-

2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes. 2.80 r.M. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage

2.50 P.M. when the Mall is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Per Cheang Hock Kian, for Swatow and Letters, do. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination, Stamps are sold at this Office. General Post Office.

Hongkong, February 6, 1877. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet AMAZONE

will be despatched on THURS-DAY, the 22nd Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria.

may also be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked Paid to Galls only; they will go on from Galle as unpaid. The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, &c. :-

Wednesday, 21st Instant .-5 P.M., Money Order Office closes, Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night. Thursday, 22nd Instant,-

A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late 11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Saigon, or Singapore may be posted

on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents

extra postage, until 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

General Memoranda. SUNDAY, February 11:-

Daylight .- Leonor leaves for Coast Ports. Monday, February 12:-2 p.m. -Sale of Office Furniture, &c., at

Messrs Beard & Co.'s Office, Queen's Spm.-Meeting of H. K. General Chamber of Commerce, at the City Hall.

THURSDAY, Feb:uary 15:-

Noon.-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. 3 p.m .- Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-

poration at City Hall. Goods per Cyphrenes undelivered after this date subject to rent. Goods per Argyll undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 16:--2 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of The

China Fire Insurance Con Limited, at No. 39, Queen's Road. Transfer Books of The Chinese Insurance 2nd March, inclusive. Flower Show at the Public Gardens

Flower Show at the Public Gardens. Monday, February 19:--3 p.m.-American Mall leaves for Yoko-

hama and San Francisco. 3 p.m -- Meeting of Shareholders of the Limited, at Club Chambers. p.m -Amateur Dramatio Club Porformance at the City Hall.

Tursbay, February 20:-8 p.m. -Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 7, Queen's Road.

9 p.m .- Occidental & Offental S. S. Co. Steamer leaves for Yekohama and San

FRIDAY, March 2:-8 p.m. Mosting of Shareholders of The Chinese Insurance Co., Limited, at the Head Office, Hongkong,

# MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping. Notice of optional cargo per Cyphrene - to be given before 10 a.m. Goods per Galley of Lorne undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Auction. Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Meser Lane, Crawford & Co.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

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DEATH.

On the 23rd Instant, at Singapore, C. L. VOLKMANN, Proprietor "Universal Hotel (and late of Hongkong), aged 46 years.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONOKONG, THURSDAY, FEB. 8, 1877.

THE reports of Her Majesty's Consuls

Far East in which they are located come to hand here so very slowly, through their being forwarded to and published in we gather that the foreign import trade of the port of Brunei for the twelve months amounted in value to 1874. The exports amounted to £36,663, use the thatching for fuel. being £7.451 less than the value of the trade for the previous year. The falling off of the trade of this town is ascribed to the cholera epidemic, which visited Brunei in May and continued with great mortality until the month of July, during which time it is believed to have carried off 2,500 persons from a population of perhaps 22,000. The import trade from the provinces of the kingdom into the British colony of Labuen amounted in value to £48,142, being £14.816 in excess of the total for the preceding year. It is estimated that the value of the exports from Labuan to the provinces of Borneo amounted to £17,874 in excess of that of 1874. The total value of the foreign trade of that part of the State which remains under the Government of its native rajahs amounted to-imports £84,814 against £77,466 in 1874; exports £84,809 against £77,444 in 1874. In 1873 a trading settlement was established in Sandakan Bay on the east coast of Borneo, very centrally situated for collecting the valuable productions of the neighbourhood. The subsequent hostile operations of the Spaniards against the people of the Sooloo Archipelago have given additional importance to this place, and it is believed that a trade of the value of at least £50,000 each way has been annually carried on, but no statistics are procurable. The returns of the trade of the rajabship of Sarawak, which is in the consular district, have not been received to a later date than 1874, the returns for which year showed a slight falling off in the trade when compared with those of the previous one. very considerable British trade is carried on with the Dutch settlements on the extensive island of Borneo and with various ports on the east coast, but information regarding the trade at these Co., Limited, closed from this date to places is not attainable in Labuan. The trade of the town of Brunei was conveyed in 1875, by a British steam vessel 317 tons, which made thirteen voyages.

It is worth noting that the planters in Penang and Province Wellesley have been suffering somewhat severely lately through their labourers being crimped for Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., service in other places, and the Legislative Council at Singapore have deemed it advisable to take some steps for checking the evil. In a report laid before the Council it is stated there were at Penang over a hundred bad tharacters, known to the police, engaged in this occupation of seizing men and taking them to Deli and elsewhere. The local Government appear to be perfectly aware of the importance of protecting the interests of the planters in the matter. A short Bill was about to be introduced some time ago to so alter Section 54 of Act of 1876 as to impose a penalty upon any one enticing away people serving Chun Chuen, about 13 days afterwards, under contract, but a telegram arrived he found the defendent per sone sand

from the Secretary of State, instructing the Governor to wait for a despatch which was on the way, relative to another amendment which was deemed necessary. The matter thus stands at present.

WE are glad to learn that the subscription lists now being circulated in this Colony for the jurpose of raising funds to relieve the sufferers by the famine in the northern provinces, have already received a considerable number of signatures, some of them for very handsome amounts. Messrs, Jardine, Matheson & Co. had headed the list we saw with the sum of \$1,000. If China was governed and administered in the way it ought to be, the relief of sufferers by a famine of the dimensions of this one would be a work of very little trouble. It is calculated that at the present moment some 27,000,000 of people are affected by the famine in India, and it will be seen by a telegram published elsewhere that it is proposed to spend six millions sterling for their relief! The Chinese authorities are, no doubt, stirring themselves, perhaps to an unexpected extent, to help their starving people, and many wealthy Chinese have freely given of their substance for that purpose, but neither the Government nor any one else can entirely obviate the evils of a famine in China, when it has once commenced its ravages. At the present moment the Government is not in a position, financially, to relieve the sufferers, but if it had abundance of means at hand, the system of administration is so bad, and the means of transit so defective, as to present almost insurmountable difficulties to the affording of prompt and effective aid to the famine-stricken people. A correspondent of the Courier, writing from Tsi-nam Fu in Shantung, says of the famine in that province :-

On this part of the road there were but few people in the villages. Those who crouched in the sunshine looked beggarly, not like men. From the spring there have been people starving to death. Probably one half the people have left their homes. In all the market towns, all kinds of household furniture are exposed for sale at the most meagre on the trade at the various places in the rates. The well-to-do, who have stored up grain, remain at home. But some who have silver are carrying it away with them, because they cannot buy grain at home. From the spring there has London, that they are generally about been poor security for those who wished to twelve months old before they can be sell their grain at the markets, it often read by those most interested in them. being seized by the poor people. There are It was only a week or two ago that some rich people who dispense food; I have we were able to procure a copy of the heard of four families at Wei-hien, and one various Consular reports on the trade at Ting-cho. The authorities at Ting-cho also dispense, exacting from the rich. In of China for 1875, and now we have the places where food is given, the apjust received the report of Acting pearance of the people is peculiarly distress. Consul-General Low on the trade of ing; some get nothing, none get enough, Borneo for the same year. From it old and young all moaning. I noticed the heads of robbers suspended in baskets at three places along the road. The danger from highwaymen is so great that the authorities forbid travellers to be early or £36,672, which shows a decrease of late on the road. Some who have superfluous £7,468 compared with the returns of houses, tear them down, sell the timber, and

### IOUAL AND GENERAL

THE Travancore, with the next outward English Mails, left Singapore yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon. She may be expected to arrive on the 14th.

THE British ship Sarah Nicholson from London, which arrived here to-day, reports baving experienced a heavy squall on the 6th January, when she lost her jibboom, foretopmast, and three topgallant-masts.

AT the Marine Court to-day Poon-a-Tak, master of the junk Hang Lee, was charged by Josehim Joze Collago, Assistant Inspector of Junks, with not reporting his arrival and not obtaining an anchorage pass, and was fined \$2 or 4 days' imprisonment.

THE S. S. Penedo, which arrived here last night from Bangkok, had a case of small-pox on board and all boats were kept away from her by the police until such time as the Health Officer had held an inspection. The patient was removed to Stone cutter's Island, and the vessel was allowed to go to her usual anchorage.

THE following are the passengers by the French Mail steamer Tigre, now due from the South

For Rongkong, from Marseilles: Messrs

Grossman, Parker, Hennequin and Rev. Father Hamon. For Shanghai, from Marseilles : Mesars Muller and Davies. For Yokohama, from Marselles: Mesers Konnessi and Souva.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, Mr Jun-

tice Snowden sat till past S p.m., to hear a suit between two Chinamon, It was au action to recover \$170, being the value of a junk alleged to have been wrongfully taken possession of by the defendant, The plaintiff, for whom Mr Sharp appeared, proved that he was a native of Sun On district, that he went to Chun Chuen in October last, and there met the defendant who was his clansman. He afterwards bought an old junk from the Foong Yuan Junk Lan for \$45, \$30 of which he paid on account and produced a receipt. He then went to his home to get funds to repair the junk, leaving the detendant to superintend the repairing. Before he left, he borrowed \$140 from a friend, which he gave to the defendant to pay for the repaire. When he returned to

where, and at last he found the junk in Hongkong with the defendant on board. He produced a witness named Wong Asun, who proved that the plaintiff went up to Chun Chuen in his boat. He saw the plaintiff hand to defendant two bags miver, one weighing \$60, the other \$80. Mr Wotton, who appeared for the defend. ant, then called the defendant, who stated that he resided at No. 7 Tai Wong Lane and was a salt junk trader, that on the 22nd October his nephew Afook brought the plaintiff to him in Tai Wong Lane. Plaintiff asked him to purchase a junk at Chun Chuen, and after two days' discussion, he agreed to purchase it for \$45. The next day, the 25th October, he gave the plaintiff \$45 for purchasing the junk and \$2 for going up to Canton. He sent a man named Cheong Atai to go up with the plaintiff. Shortly afterwards he received a letter from a friend at Chun Chuen, telling him that the plaintiff had disappeared from Chun Chuen after having paid the junk lan \$30. As the balance of the purchase money had not been fully paid, the junk could had be delivered over. The defendant immedistely went up to Chun Chuen with funds, and Toong Koon. He produced a witness Cheong Atal, who generally corroborated his statement. Finally, His Lordship reserved judgment, after a long sitting.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending January 81st, 1877 :-

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	th, 25	284
	th, 51	317
To	otals, 276	1,581
Grand total, 1,	,857.	

the troopship Himalaya, which brings the Artillery relief to the Straits and Hongkong, is due in Pinang on the 2nd and in Singapore on the 5th proximo. She will leave Hongkong on her homeward voyage about the 14th March, and Singapore about | details. the 13th March, taking Rangoon on her way to Colombo, and will probably reach Portsmouth about the 13th May.

In the Indian papers several brief notices of the Siamese Embassy to the Imperial Assemblage at Delhi appear and, curious to in relief measures compatible with the pre- boy belonged to him, that he was say, always in connection with the Nepaulese Embassy, and they were always smoking. They smoked when they went to the Viceroy's reception, and here is how they appeared on the day he made his grand entry into Delhi.

was one of the balconies facing the river reserved for the Politicals and some Native | should be left to private trade. Yarkand Envoy, dressed in green and gold, a despatch to the Secretary of State re- and nothing was heard until the adopted nies to report on their defences, and if so was his large well-formed head, and features The population affected is said to be knew the prisoner, he frequently came to telegram states that Col. Sir W. F. Jervoise, kindly than otherwise. On his left was relief are one and a half millions. The him at Shek Lung. The Magistrates sent visit the Colonies to report on the defences, the Siam Deputation, a number of queer little men dressed in black-walking coats, wide-awakes and dhoties, and smoking cheroots. On their left were the Nepauless representatives, very small gentlemen too, but got up in the undress uniform of our general staff-blue frock coats and gold banded forage caps. One very diminutive officer was, I heard, a Brigadier-General, and he wore an English sword, which seemed almost as long as himself. Two Burmese ladies were also present, and seemed familiar and chatty.

Again on Proclamation Day they and the Nepaulese were among the last of the Notabilities to arrive in the amphitheatre and division. their appearance is described as follows:-"The Siamese and Nepaulese Embassies arrived in the meantime and created a sensation, the former by the tremendous eigars they smoked, and the latter by the plumes

and circles of emeralds on their hats" .-

# LATE TELEGRAMS.

Straits Times.

The Straits Times gives the following telegrams, which furnish a more connected idea of the course of events in Europe than those we have already published !-

THE EASTERN QUESTION. Constantinople, Jan. 12. - The Conference met yesterday, when the Turkish delegates persisted in rejecting the proposals of the Powers. The German delegate declared that any further concession was impossible. No new scheme was presented by the Turkish delegates, as was expected. It is pro-

Porte on Monday. Constantinople, Jan. 13.—The Envoys will make their final communication to the Syad Nour Mohome and Ata Mohamed Porte on Monday, and will re-assemble on the 18th to receive the reply. If the Porte persist in rejecting the proposals of the Powers, the Envoys will leave Constantinople the following day.

Constantinopie, Jan. 15 .- It is understood that the Powers have virtually abandoned the demands which were rejected by the Porte, excepting the appointment, of a mized International Commission. Porte, however, remaies obdurate. statement that the German delegate had declared any further concession impossible

has been officially denied. Constantinople, Jan. 15 .- At the Conference to-day Lord Salisbury communicatad the final proposals of the Powers, only insisting upon Governors of Provinces being subject to the approval of the Powers announced that they would leave unless . these proposals were accepted. The Turkish

with the junk. He made search every- be impossible for Turkey to accept these proposals; but they would refer to their of the Conference, which takes place on hursday or Saturday. A Grand Council

has been convened to decide the question Constantinople, Jan. 18 .- The Council convoked to consider the final proposals of the Powers, has unanimously rejected them, as contrary to the integrity and dignity of the Ottoman Empire.

Constantinople, Jan. 18, evening.-The Grand Council to-day, amid shouts of "Death before Dishonour" resolved that the Ottoman Porte must not further discuss the proposals of the European Powers. London, Jan. 22 .- The prevalent opinion

is that immediate war is unlikely. At the Grand Council at Constantinople on the 18th instant, the Christian Patriarchs and Chief Rabbi were present. During the debate the Grand Vizier stated that both England and France had declared that they would neither go to war against Turkey, nor would they assist her.

she may possibly be unable to resist the demands of her Sclavonic subjects.

Con tuntinople, Jan. 22 .- At the sitting of Conference to-day the Turkish delegates attempted to continue to discuss details, but ignored the essential points of the demands made by the Powers through Lord Salisbury, who thereupon announced the Conference ended. General Ignation held that the Porte was

responsible, and hoped that Turkey would molest Servia or Montenegro.

at the Conference.

The French Press, in replying, affirm the absolute neutrality and the pacific intentions of France.

THE FAMINE IN INDIA. London, Jan. 18 .- Acting on behalf of Lord Salisbury, the Colonial Secretary (Lord Carnarvon), in a despatch, to the Vicercy of India, dated the 12th instant, reviews the importance of the severe distress in Madras and Bombay Presidencies. His lordship, previous to the receipt of his despatch, was unaware of the vast area of the stricken districts, and was only made acquainted therewith on the receipt of the Duke of Buckingham's despatch, dated 2nd December. Her Majesty's Government have issued instructions to the Viceroy, dated 20th ultimo, to telegraph weekly a summary of actual facts, and to send special narratives by each mail. Lord Carnarvon also assured Lord Lytton of his hearty support in any measures that may be adopted, According to the Army and Navy Gazette or be pending, to mitigate the effects of famine, and for due provision of adequate His Lordship also generally approves the measures already adopted by the Government of India and leaves the up before Mr Russell on a charge of child-Vicercy the widest discretion regarding stealing preferred by Tam Ayow, a district

> nary publishes a letter addressed to Sir years of age at Tank Lane, and offering Richard Temple containing the views of him for sale to a woman. He asked \$60 Government relative to the scarcity in for the boy, but the woman did not want Madras and Bombay: It indicates generally to buy. The complainant then walked the class of relief works which should be up to him and asked him about the undertaken, and urges the severest economy | child. To this be replied that the vention of death from famine. It approves his nephew and that he wanted money to the course taken in Bombay of non-interfe- support his family. The complainant then rence with private trade in connection with reported the matter to the head district the supply of grain. It disapproves of the watchman, who in turn reported it to the policy adopted in Madras in contracting Registrar General. On the 29th January, through a local firm, for 80,000 tons of grain. he saw the prisoner carrying the child again

estimate of the cost shows that it will him to two years' hard labour. probably be six and a half millions sterling.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Calculta, Jan. 13 .- The Viceroy, and Lady Lytton, with their suite and family, arrived at 4-45, all well. London, Jan. 15 .- With improving weather the disastrous floods which lately occurred in different parts of England are now beginning to subside.

London, Jan. 18 .- General John Ewart, It is expected, succeeds General MacDonald in the command of the Rawul Pindes.

The troopship Malabar left Portsmouth for India yesterday. Madrid, Jan. 16 .- The Burmese Embassy has had a State reception here. The

Embassy is arranging a commercial treaty between Spain and Burmah. London, Jan. 18 .- In consequence of the Rev. Arthur Tooth, vicar of Hatcham, defying the judgment issued against him by the Court of Arches, the Bishop of the dioceze, in order to prevent riots, has closed

the church. Lord Pensance has ordered the committal of Mr Tooth. Washington, Jan. 18.-A joint committee of Congress has agreed to refer the election of President to a tribunal, composed of the members of the Supreme Court and both

Houses of Congress, Calcutta, Jan. 18 .- The rumours tolegraphed from Rawul Pindee are unfounded. No expedition has been determined on. nor is there any intention of expedition or hostile movement. The military movements referred to simply denote prepared. bable that the European plenipotentiaries ness for possible requirements in the present will make their final communication to the aspect of political affairs in Europe. The relations of the Government of India with Cabul continue of a friendly character. Khan, the British Agents, are now on their way to Peshawur, bringing friendly letters from the Amoer respecting the mutual relations of the two Governments

Madras, Jan 20 .- The steamer Duke of Sutherland from London, stranded this morning as she was entering the roads. The faintest hopes are entertained by the Marine authorities of getting her off. The steamer Duke of Devonshirs is assisting. Two efforts have tailed.

> Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon, C. May.) 8th February 1877.

butting and wounding. delegates replied that they thought it would got into a quarrel, in the course of which the Way sty's Yacht in the Bangkok forward on one vessel and the remainder population of the Flowery Land.

necessitated his admission into Hospital Government and answer at the next sitting | for three days. The defendant confessed to having out the man and expressed his sorrow. He was sent to six weeks' hard

> DISTURBANCE. Hon Afat and four others were brought up for oreating a disturbance at Yowmahtee. It appeared that the row originated from a gambling transaction in which the defendants charged each other with swindling. The 2nd defendant was proved to have been convicted before, and was consequently fined \$10, and the others \$5 each.

public auction." Ow Sang, Cheung Sing, Wong Yuk and Chu Aking, were again brought up for a burglary at Ping Chow in Chinese territory. The case had been remarded several times for an application of renditon being made by the Chinese Authorities. The necessary correspondence Austria is now neutral, but it is thought | having passed between the Colonial, Consular, and Chinese Authorities, the care came on to-day. The complaina t Wong Yee Lip, a resident at Ping Chow-an island about 5 or 6 miles from Hongkong-and a dealer in salt-fish by profession, stated that on the night of the 23rd January last, he was absent from home on business, and when he returned on the morning of the 24th, he had ascertained that his house had been burglariously entered by a number of men, who plundered the house respect her Christian subjects, and not of a quantity of clothing. He came here the following day, with the view of finding London, Jan. 22.—The German Official out the burglars, as he thought it was pos- dak Indut, has been forwarded to us :and after having paid up the balance and Press is irritated on account of the suspi- sible that they had come here. He went cious of the French papers, arising from the to the West Point Station, where he saw dak Indut were launched into eternity on Hongkong and is now trading between here reported attitude of the German delegate the prisoners in oustody and identified Saturday morning last; the first met his identify the burglars. The case was remanded till the 9th instant, at 9 a.m.

### LARGENY.

Caltano Lorenzano, a cabin boy, was again brought up for stealing two pairs of trousers from a Chinese shop wherewith he had gone with several comrades to buy things. He took the opportunity of the shopman turning his back to shew some other articles to his comrades to make away with the pants. In his defence, however, he stated that he had bought them and produced two comrades who were said have seen him pay the money, but they could not agree as to the kinds of coins which he had paid. Mr Russell therefore fined him 810.

Chun Alung, a cook, was again brought watchman. The complainant stated that Bombay, Jan. 17. -A Gazette Extraordi- he saw the prisoner leading a boy about 8

### CORRESPONDENCE.

"I CONCUR."

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." Hongkong, Feb. 8, 1877.

SIR, -I quite agree with the remarks of "Old Stager" as regards the morning training at the Racecourse. We all naturally like to see the "mokes" go round, and I know it would be against the wish the Gulf of Carpentaria for the Cloncurry of the liberal-minded owner in the North for his ponies to be trained in the dark. deep water at its mouth. This latter idea was introduced by the Coast people, more particularly by ne gentleman had been quarantined on her arrival at -possibly because t me hung heavy on his Sydney on account of small-pox on board. hands during the day, and he did not o re The export of gold from Cooktown in to start from bed "ere daylight broke," as 1876 amounted to 187,891 ounces, valued at much as anything else. I recollect hearing a 2751,564, and it is estimated that of this gallant officer in this Colony remark, one fine morning, to a group of old and young ounces. sports, that of all the places he had ever been in-and he has no doubt a very in Cooktown and Sydney by the outbreak extended experience, for he has been most of small-pox on board the Brisbane. Another everywhere-that in no place had he ever seen training or racing so open and from Hongkong, with small-pox on board fairly conducted as in Hong ong. So and was quarantined. Cooktown has been you see, Hongkong has a character to keep up, and it is well to be careful of "But to return to our mutton (as Philip Augustus used to say in his young days), in justice to all concerned it ought to be mentioned that, four days article in the Courier upon the Dostor's turns from all the rest of the world are to before the letter of "Old Stager" appeared | treatment of a Chinaman. The Editor was it had been intimated that the training engaged reporting the Council proceedings, ed to any shrinking of the land surface, or was to be held in the morning, so that all when the Doctor, a gouty old man of 60, the "rising of the waters," but to the more Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to might see the ponies; and I know it was suddenly as peared, pulled a horsewhip out extended and accurate surveys that have only by accident that the "mokes" in of his trousers' pocket, and laid on. He been carried out, in America particularly, Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hongs question did not commence to show up on | was fined \$5. the morning of the 6th. Yours &c.,

ANOTHER OLD STAGER.

### The Straits. (Singapore Times.)

An important case of defamation of character, in which Mr Sheriff, the head clerk of Mesars Aitken & Co., is the prosecutor, is being tried to-day (Jan. 25th) before Mr Justice Ford, in the Supreme Court. Incidentally, evidence has come out regarding lawyers' fees; which produced some comments from the Bench regarding the distinction between the fees of an Attorney and a Barrister in the Colony. We shall furnish a report of the trial when concluded.

defendant cut him with a pen-knife which River, under circumstances of peculiar dif- on another, One shipment from Hong-

From Java papers to the 13th January the following items are translated :---"On the 5th instant, an American vessel named the Gentoo laden with petroleum, from New York struck upon, and became fixed on Neptuners Sandbank. From the look-out station she could be plainly discerned. The crew at first would not leave her. The steamer Prins Alexander of the N. I. S. N. Company, by means of prahus, took away from her 1,400 cases of petro-

leum. The ship and whatever cargo may

still be on board of her are to be sold by

"The American ship Gentoo, sold to-day (Jan. 13'b) by public auction, along with the cargo still on board of her, brought the amount of 21,000 guilders."

The French war steam transport, La Creuse, from Saigon, with dates to the 25th instant, arrived alongside the Borneo Co.'s what yesterday morning (Jan. 28th), and left for Toulon this morning, with 400 French naval and military passengers.

The troopship Orontes, with the 10th Regiment for England, and two companies of the 80th Regiment for Mauritius, left Singapore on the 29th Jan: for Portsmouth

The following account of the execution of Maharajah Lela, Datu Sagor, and Panill at present to come to give evidence, boldly up the scaffold in a manner which while his married daughter, who was in the the Malays commonly say-" brank buat house at the time, had returned to her brani mati;" the second and third, I am husband's home at Sam Chan, but he did | told, asked that they might be strung up not believe either of them would be able to at Qualla Kangsa; they were both forced to go up the gallows ; the second (Sagor) broke or snapped two handousts off, and when the drop fell, he held the rope tightly with one hand, raised bimself up a little, and put both his legs round the post, but of course he was overpowered and had to submit to die after all."

> By the steamer Pyah Pekhet, which arrived here yesterday morning (Jav. 28), we have received intelligence to the effect that on the day H. M.'s 74th Highlanders arrived at Qualla Kangsa, two of the privates went to bathe in the river, and on account of the force of the current somewhat resembling a whirlpool, were caried to the bottom. Lauce Corporal Carter swam out to their assistance, and was also drowned. Subsequently, Lieut. Swinburn, of H. M. 80th Regiment (now Superintendent of the Perak Police), went out in a boat in search finding one of the corpses. A reward of Ten Dollars each for the recovery of the other two corpses was offered by H. B. M. Resident, but up to the date of the Pyah Pekhet's departure they could not be found.

### Australian Items.

The Straits Times, summarizing the news from Australia, gives the following jottings. Papers by the Somerest from Cooktown are

to 6th January :-The Governments of Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia "All who had tickets for the Jumma Musjid | The Supreme Government has refused ap- in Bridges Street and he took him into are in communication with Lord Carnaryon had to be in their places at 1 o'clock. There plications for authority to make further custody. Enquiries were made, when it was about their defences. Sir Hercules Robinpurchases, being of opinion that the matter found that the child was stolen from a man son telegraphed on their behalf on the 18th named Lam Alam at Shek Lung. The December, asking if Col. Jervoise, R.E., Calcutta, Jan. 17.—The Gazette publishes | child was missed on the 23rd January last | could come out at the expense of the Cologarding the famine in Madras and Bombay. father saw a placard at Shek Lung. He what would be the cost. A Melb urne twenty-seven millions, and those receiving visit him and was always well treated by R.E., is the officer mentioned as likely to The New South Wales sixteen won their Cricket match against the All England Eleven on the 11th December by two

> The Queensland Government has accepted an offer of the Australian Navigation Co. for a weekly coastal service at a subsidy of £8,000 per annum, and the steamers commenced running between Brisbane and Cooktown via ports on the 1st January.

wickets and four runs.

Hodgkinson's exploring party arrived at Townsville on the 19th December and reported the discovery of a new port in mines on the Leichardt river which has The E. & A. M. S. Co.'s steamer Brisbane

amount the Chinese took away over 50,000

Considerable excitement has been caused steamer arrived at Cooktown, the Medea proclaimed under the Health Act.

Mr Carl Fellberg, Editor of the Cocktown Courier, was horsewhipped in the Council Chamber on the 21st December by Dr Youngson in consequence of a disparaging

Steam Navigation Company for the mail by upwards of 27 millions as compared with service between Java and Australia amounts that shown in the returns for last year, but Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to to \$16,668, half from South Australia and It must not be imagined that the preponde-1,000 tons capacity, and it is said the service | has caused this great increase. It is because will be continued to China.

A conference is to be held in Sydney of representatives from all the Australian Colonies to conters the duplication of the cable between Australia and Indian

A QUESTION OF TOTAL LOSS AND PERIL OF THE SEA In August, 1874, Schroder & Co. of this city, shipped on the Pacific Mail steamship Colorado, for Batavia, 4,651 sacks of wheat,

valued at \$18,000. They effected an insurance with the Agency of the Swiss Lloyd Marine Insurance Company of Winterthur, By the terms of the policy the wheat was to go forward on the other coolienamed Pun - hoong, with cutting sented Capt. Wharton of the S. S. Celestial Colorado and connections. The insurance abroad, excluding the protected Indian ternational, Commission. All the delegates and woundin; him. The defendant had a with a handsome gold Cigar Box, as a mark was for general average and total loss only, States, is calculated at 7 964,752 square grudge against him because he did not give of appreciation of the skill displayed by unless stranded or burned. At Yokohama miles, with a population of 203,941,766 him work when he had a chance. They him in a late voyage in averting a collision the wheat was landed and a portion sent souls, or somewhat more than half of the

kong reached its destination safely. The other shipment was taken to Hongkong and placed in a warehouse not far from the water, awaiting transportation to Batavia. But a typhoon swept over the place and the warehouse was submerged and the wheat destroyed. The underwriters re- great delight was to teach his infant brother fused to pay the claim presented, and an action was brought by Schroder & Co. in the Fourth District Court to recover \$10,245.84, the value of the lost wheat. The complaint was demurred to on the ground that there was not total loss, and that the wheat was not destroyed by the peril of the sea. In passing upon the chief sustenance, and his pockets were gendemurrer, to-day, Judge Morrison said that to determine the first of the questions it must be determined what is meant by "connections." The counsel for the defence took the ground that it meant a contact with his book, devouring bread at direct connection with the Colorado at Yokohama. On the other hand, it was claimed that there might be many con- sweet tooth was immense. Occasionally nections by dividing the shipment to when walking in London with a friend he loss of any one of these shipments was a total loss within the meaning | would break and offer a half to his comof the insurance policy. The meaning of the term "connection" could be ascertained be when anybody refused the delicacy. by the terms of the policy. The question whether it was understood that one vessel only should be used in carrying the shipment, or that it was contemplated to send forward by several vessels, could only be ascertained on the trial. It was the impression of the Judge that the loss occurred by peril of the sea. The waves of the ocean submerged the warehouse and destroyed the wheat. He was disposed to Maharajah Lela, Datu Sagor and Pan think the demurrer not well taken, and it

> THE USE OF GUN-COTTON AT SEA. There would seem to be no limit to the usefulness of gun-cotton, the peculiar properties of which are now thoroughly well known. The Daily News says :-An advertisement announces that "a fog

signal has been established near the northwest end of Heligoland, on the summit of the land, which is 165 feet above high water, wherefrom during foggy weather will henceforth be produced, by the explosion of gun-cotton, a report similar to that of a gun every fifteen minutes." This, the first employment of gun-cotton for signalling purposes by the Trinity House, to which we called attention some months ago, is likely to open a new era in the history of coast warnings. A dense fog which obscures the most powerful light serves, it seems, to transmit sound rather than deaden it, and the consequence is that in thick weather sound signals are the only guide upon which mariners can place reliance. The advantages of gun cotton detonation under these circumstances appear to be that the sharp crack produced is of of the drowned men, but only succeeded in an exceedingly penetrating character, and although it is likened in the announcement to the discharge of a gun, this done, we suppose, simply because the Trinity House authorities are at a loss to compare it with anything else. Those experienced in the two sounds, however, would have no difficulty in distinguishing the short, sudden orack of gun-cotton detonstion from the noisy boom of a gun. Another recommendation for the use of gun-cotton in repeating signals is to be found in the facility with which it is employed. A half-pound slab of the compound being hung upon wires in any suitable position, a fuze fixed in the centre of the charge is detonated by the aid of an electric current from a battery or machine near at hand. At Heligoland, we are told, such an explosion will be brought about every quarter of an hour during the period of a fog, so that when this lasts a couple of days or so, as is not unfrequently the case in the neighbourhood of that island, the lighthouse-keepers or signalmen will have a busy time of it. So effective is this simple mode of signalling considered by naval men, that the Admiralty contemplate its adoption in the Navy, where it will be employed in the case of a fleet or squadron moving together in foggy weather. The loss of the Vanguard, it will be rememberwas in the main due to imperfect signalling arrangements and to the inability of the steam whistles to produce sufficient sound, so that the provision of a more efficient system of signals on board would obviously be an additional safeguard to our ships. Already steps have been taken to provide our larger vessels with that most brilliant of artificial lights, the electric lamp, for signalling and illuminating purposes, in the dark; and the adoption of an effective means of signalling in a fog Oct. 8, Belle of Oregon, from Cardiff to would be scarcely less useful.

> THE POPULATION OF THE EARTH. From the annual report (fourth) on the population of the earth lately published by the German firm of Perthes, and compiled by Drs. Behrn & Wagner, it may be gathered that the whole population of the globe is estimated at 1,428,917,000, and

the area of the land surface is calculated at average of a fraction more than 27 people to the square mile. But the returns, it correct, show that the land surface of the globe has decreased by 83,349 square miles | Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hongsince last year! This decrease appears to and nearly everywhere. The population The subsidy to the Netherlands India has, as a matter of absolute fact, increased Europe in collecting the censuses, and the receipt of more accurate information about parts of the world regarding the population of which erroneous ideas had previously been held. The number of souls in all British India is not down at 230 millions, and of the East India Islands (in which Singapore and Pinang are included) and Anam, 21 millions, an increase over last year, which has mainly occurred in the latter dountry, though from what cause or causes we are not told. China, including Hongkong, is put down at 405 mililons, with 284 millions of out-lying people." Hongkong has lost more than 2,000 since 1875. The whole area of British possessions

SHELLEY AS A BOY. .The poet Shelley, as a small boy, was an eccentric little being. He used to dress his four sisters to represent flends, and filling a fire-stove with some inflammable fluid and setting it aflame, he would marshal the diabolical procession to the back door. His school-boy words, and his first attempt at his knowledge of the devil was an innocent "Debbee." As a boy at Eton, he would watch the live-long night for ghosts, and consulted, his books how to raise one. His diet in after years was meagre enough to bring him weird fancies. Bread became his erally well stored with it. A circle upon the carpet clearly defined by an ample verge of crumbs often marked the spot where he had long sat at his studies, his face nearly in intervals amid his profound abstractions. Sometimes he ate raisins with it, and his forward from Yokohama, and that | would suddenly dash into a baker's shop and emerge with a supply of bread, which he panion, and very much surprised he would

### Quotations. Hongmong, Feb. 8, 1877. OPIUM. -- New Patna, cash...\$575 oredit, 577 New Benares, cash, 545 credit, 547 New Malwa, cash, 555 credit, 560 Allowance Taels, Old Malwa, cash, 570 Allowance Tacls. CAMPHOR. QUICKSILVER, SALTPETRE,

Exchange. Bank, on demand, ... ... 4/21 30 days' sight, ... 4/22 6 months' sight, ... ... 4/8 Documentary, 6 months' sight, .. 4/8 Calcutta, ... Shanghal, demand, ... 30 days' .... ... 75 Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., Mexicans. ... English Sovereigns. Australian Sovereigns, Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 30 H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$675 China Fire Ins. Co., \$168 China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1825 Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$620 Chinese Insurance Co., \$200 North China Ins. Co., Tis. 875 Yangteze Ins. Association, Tis. 630 H.K. & W. Dock Co., 471 dis. H.K. C. & M. S.-boat Co., \$12 dis. Shanghei Steam N. Co., Tls. 98 ex div. Hongkong Hotel Co., \$525 dis. Chinese Imperial Loan, £99

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Homekowe, Feb. 8, 1877. 9 A.M .... BAROYETER-THERMOMETER-9 A.M.... 1 P.M.... Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. Do. 1 P.M. 4 P.M. Do. Do. Maximum. ... ... Do. Minimum over night, 62

Shipping Intelligence. HOME SHIPPING. The following is corrected from the latest London Papers :-

DEPARTURES. June 9, Aurora, from Richmond, U. S. to Hongkong.

Sept. 16, Western Belle, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Sept. 17, Palestine, from London to Hong-

Sept. 23, Agnes Muir, from London to

Hongkong. Oct. 5, Wega, from Hamburg to Chefoo. Cot. 8, Glamorganshire, from London to Hongkong.

Oct. 12, Omba, from London to Shanghai. Oct. 14, Sir Harry Parkes, from London to Hongkong.

Nov. 12, Lims, from London to Hongkong. Nov. 13, Rurik, from Cardiff to Hongkong. 51,849,800 square miles, thus giving an Nov. 16, Hydra, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to

have been greatest in America, but the re- Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to the same effect. This is not to be attribut. Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong.

half from Jaya. The steamers must be rance of births over deaths during the year Dec. 17, Carricks, from London to Honge

greater care has been taken in India and Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Dec. 19, Cairnsmuir (str), from London to China and Japan.

> POADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS. At London. -- Steamers via Sues Canah Gadsbill, State of Louisians, Maggregor,

Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Honge

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> D. C. PRESGRAVE, Municipal Swretary. Penang. Municipal Office,

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The 21st September, 1976.

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Heung Shop, Sin Choong, Honam. Swatow.-Sui Cheong Hong; Woh Shun Loong Hong Amoy .- Chin Cheong Hong, Mook Kek

Foochow .- Mr Yu Ching Cheong, Foochow Arsenal; Mr Lum Kwok Ching, Maritime Customs. Shanghai.—Mr Ng Ching Shun, Mari-time Customs; Mr Ho Yue Chuen, Mari-

Crabs,

Dace,

Frogs,

Garoupa,

Haddock,

Herrings,

Live Fish,

Mackerel

Perch.

Poinfret,

Prawns.

Roach,

Rock Fish,

Sait Finh, .

OUTLE AGEDS

Shrimps,

Spapper,

Snipe Fish,

Soles, Fresh

Turtles, Small

Bamboo Shoots,

Beans, sprout,

Beet Hoot,

Brassics,

Broad,

Cabbage, Whita|Canton

Common

Macao.

Hongkong,

French from Macao

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Skate,

Balmon, Canton,

Saltwater.

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Eels, Conger

Fresh Fish, Large

Small

File Fish.

time Customs; Mr Chun Sing Hoi, Mesers Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr Kwong Chuen Fook, Educational Mission School and Mow Sing Sang Kee shop. Ningpo.-Mr Sung Min Ohee, Maritime Customs.

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Chian Mall Office, Hengson; January 10, 1877;

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HONGKONG MARKET	PRIORS.	Carrots, Salt catty	20	
orrected to Saturday, Januar	27. 1877.	Carrots, Fresh	40	80
At 1075 Oash per Dollar	Paica	Cauliflower, each	70	30
AMILIA.	Bighest, Louest	Celery, Chinese, catty	40	30
Butcher Mea		,, English, ,,	50	40
scon, English, lb.	The second secon	Cucumbers,	50	40
, Ame. Sugar cured ,, Foochow,		Ohliles, Dried, ,,	4*	100
ef, sirloin and prime out,	cy. 160 150	, Mixed,	60	50
sef Corned,		Curry Stuff, English, . ,,	40	30
Roast,	150 140	Egg Plant,	40	35
Soup,	90, 80	Garlie, (bulb) dried,	50	40
Steak, ,,	150 140	Greens, White	30	20
illocks' Brains, per se	t 60 50	Winter course	12	10
n Tongue, fresh, each	275 250	Green, Sprouts	15 20	15
oorned,	820 800	Green Peas, in shell, old ,,	60	- 50
" Head, ",	600 500	young ,,	40	4 -
, Heart,	150 140	"Horse Radish," S'hai,		200
Feet, ,	50 40	Lettuce, Chinese	25	20
Kidneys,	60 50	, English, . head	10	-
Tail, ,, catty	100 9	Mirt, catty	12	1.5
	140.	Mushroom, dried,	750	650
lves' Head and Feet, set	500 400	Onlone, Bombay		100
ams, American, . lb.	800 280	, Green	20	- Steps
,, Chinese,	180 170	Paraley, Chinese,	50	-
,, English	360 340	Potestory Colifornia	12	10
utton Chop,	170 140	Potatoes, California, catty	17	15
1, Leg, ,,	170 140	new, Macso,	15	18
, Shoulder, ,	140 120	Pumpicina.	12	10
, Liver, ,,	120 110	Dadlahar	20	15
ga' Chitlings, catty	60 60	Scalling	80	20
13 Feet,	100 90	Shalots. Catty	20 40	15 25
,, Bry,	110 100	Secamum	120	100
,, Head, , , ,,	90 80	Taro (U Tau)	_12	10
, Heart, . each		Tomatoes,	50	- 7
p Kidneys,	80 70	Turnips, Balt,	20	15
,, Ldver, . , 1b.	100 80	English . each	10	
ork, Chop, catty		, Obinese . catty	15	10
, Corned, ,	180 120	Water Lily Roots.	25	20
,, Leg, ,,	the state of the s	Water Oress, bunch	20	10
, Fat or Lard,		Yama, catty	80	20
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,, Ridneys, , ,,	BO 70	Apples, Dried Californian	500	400
toking Pigs,	1750 1000		200	
	140 120	Bananas, fragrant Punti,	80	180
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noks, catty	180 160 110 100	All the second s	100	neth A
sor, Shanghai, sach	\$2.00 \$1.75		60	50
ggs, Hen dos.	100 —	Ourrants, bottle	400	350
p Duck	100 —	18.	200	160
Riale	120 —	Dates, bottle	500	400
owle, casty		Figs, Dried,	500	400
cade,	120 110	Ground Nuts,	80	25
artridges, each	250 280	Lemons,	70	60
heasants, Canton, Ilve, pale	\$2.00 —	Lichees, Dried,	200	180
" Shanghai, dead "	600 -	Loong Ngan, Dried.	400	200
geons, each	140 120	Olives, green, Punti, catty	60	10
nail,	60 50	Oranges, (Coolie) Chang ,,	40	30
dpe, each	110 100	", Sweet, Sun-woey,	140	120
abbits,	600 500		40	80
eal,	150 140		80	10
zkeys, Cook, . catty		,, (Mandarin)	100	```80
,, Hen, ,,	450 400	Papaw,	150	130
ild Duck, . each	350 300	Pears, Santoong,	100	80
,, Geese,	700 —	Pears, Chefoo, Pine-apples, Punti each	100	80
Coodsook	. 600	Tine-apples, Funti	50	40

600

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,, Kidneys,		<b>80</b>	70	Apples, Dried	50
Sucking Pigs,		1750	1000	Californian,	20
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Po	ultry.		, " ;	Bananas, fragrant Punti,	8
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Deer, Shanghai,	each	\$2.00		Coccanuts	6
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Partridges,	Bach	250	280	Lemons,	167
Pheasants, Canton,		\$2,00	1	Lichees, Dried,	20
", Shanghai,		600		Loong Ngan, Dried,	40
Pigeons,	each	140	120	Olives, green, Puntl catty	6
Quail,		60	100	Oranges, (Coolie) Chang	. 4
Snipe,	each	110	100	", Sweet, Sun-wood,	14
Rabbits,		600	500	" (Mand.) coolie "	4
Teal,		150	140		. 8
Turkeys, Cock,	, cally	600	550	", (Mandarin)	10
,, Hen,	. 11	450	400	Papaw,	15
Wild Duck,	. each	850	300	Pears, Santoong,	10
,, Geese, .	4 13	700	-	Pears, Chefoo,	10
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	ish,			Plantains, common . catty	3
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Bream,	. catty	100	90	Prunes, Dried, bottle	80
Carp,	4 19	80	70	Pumeloes or Shaddock, each	6
		10.0			

00 250 60 50 Raisins, Muscatel . bottle Ib. Salesbury Seeds, Pak-kwo, catty Sugar Cane. . stick Tamarinda. . catty Walnuts. Water Chesnuts, Canton .. Miscellaneous. Alispice, Chinese . bottle English. 750 500 Barley, . ploul 1600 1500 1600 1400 Candied Orange Peel, bottle Lemon Capers, Charcoal, English. Dutah.

750 700 220 160 1080 1000 400 350 500 450 1100 1000 100 800 250 Cinnamon. 160 150 500 40 . bottle Cocoannt Oil. 230 200 Coffee, 500 250 Curry Powder. . bottle Firewood, 850 840 . picul 70 Flour, . . Gram

lainglass, Lamp Oll, Macaroni. Mace, . catty Mango Chutney, Nutmegs,

bottle Pearl Barley, . catty Pepper (whole) bottle Pickles, Rice,

Salad Oil,

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